SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 728 By Rochelle

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Jeremy Andrews, 2002 Valedictorian of Smith County High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Jeremy Andrews is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2002 graduating class at Smith County High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Jeremy has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Mr. Andrews has earned an exemplary 4.53 Grade Point Average; and

WHEREAS, highly respected among his peers as a leader, Jeremy has held several positions of leadership during his high school career; for two years, he served in Student Government, and he served as the President of the Senior Beta Club and as the Vice President of Future Business Leaders of America for one year each; and

WHEREAS, voted "Most Industrious" by his Senior classmates, he has also supported and represented his school as a member of the Science and Math Club, the French Club, SADD, the Speech Club, and the Drama Club; and

WHEREAS, a ten-year honor student, Jeremy was chosen for inclusion in *Who's Who Among American High School Students*, and he served as a Representative at the Tennessee Electric Co-operative Leadership Seminar in 2001 and as a Representative at the Washington Youth Tour in 2001; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his dedication to academic excellence, Jeremy is a highly capable athlete, who has played both varsity basketball and football and has been honored with several student athlete and athletic awards; and

WHEREAS, an active member of the Rome Church of Christ, Jeremy takes part in leading the worship services and participating in youth group activities such as Bible Bowls and Bible Camp, where he won the Best Bible Student Award three times; and

WHEREAS, although most of his spare time is filled with academics, sports, and church activities, Jeremy is well aware of his civic duty to his community, and he regularly donates blood and contributes to the needy through projects such as the Angel Tree and Pennies for Patients; and

WHEREAS, Jeremy Andrews's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success as a student at Freed-Hardeman University, where he plans to pursue a career as a pharmacist; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Andrews's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Jere and Wanda Andrews; his sister; his school; and his community; and

WHEREAS, Jeremy is the grandson of Virginia and the late Clyde Sullivan and Bettye and the late Sam Andrews: and

WHEREAS, Jeremy Andrews's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby commend and honor 2002 Smith County High School Valedictorian, Jeremy Andrews, on his impressive academic achievement, and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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